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SUBJECT: SENATE ACTION ON FY 1979 APPROPRIATION
DOTA NO. 111-AS

1. TO GOV. COLEMAN, AM. SAMOA. SENATE REPORT ON FY 1979
APPROPRIATION DELETES HOUSE ADD-ON OF 3,100 K DOLLARS FOR
EDLF, HOUSING LOAN FUND AND STARFISH CONTROL. FINAL
APPROPRIATION SUBJECT TO CONFERENCE ACTION. WILL KEEP YOU
ADVISED.

2. COMMITTEE STATES, "THE INCREASE IN OPERATIONS GRANTS
FOR AMERICAN SAMOA RECOMMENDED BY THE HOUSE INCLUDED
\$2,000,000 FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
LOAN FUND, \$1,000,000 FOR HOUSING LOANS, AND \$100,000
FOR STARFISH CONTROL. THE OFFICE OF TERRITORIAL AFFAIRS
HAS EMBARKED UPON AN EFFORT TO IMPROVE THE FINANCIAL
MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS IN EACH OF THE TERRITORIES. TESTIMONY
BEFORE THE COMMITTEE INDICATED THAT PROGRESS IS BEING MADE
IN ALL AREAS EXCEPT AMERICAN SAMOA, WHICH STILL HAS NO
APPOINTED FEDERAL COMPTROLLER. FURTHER, THE COMMITTEE IS
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CONCERNED OVER AMERICAN SAMOA'S GROWING DEPENDENCE ON
FEDERAL SUPPORT, WHICH NOW SUPPLIES MORE THAN 70 PERCENT
OF GOVERNMENT REVENUE. UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES THE
COMMITTEE CANNOT RECOMMEND UNBUDGETED PROGRAM INCREASES
OF THE MAGNITUDE PROPOSED BY THE HOUSE." GEORGE MILNER,
ACTING DOTA SENDS. VANCE

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